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BRIEFING NOTICE

PHILIPPINES  
NATIONALIST CHINA  
THAILAND  
NEPAL  
AFGHANISTAN

MALAYSIA  
SINGAPORE  
INDONESIA  
AUSTRALIA  
NEW ZEALAND

1. DDI requires a briefing book on the above countries for a meeting on 9 December with Vice President Agnew prior to the latter's trip. Because DDI wants to see the book by Thursday, 4 December, contributions must reach Presentations Branch by noon Wednesday, December 3, at the latest.

2. Classification can be wide open if necessary, but when a statement is based solely on Comint or TKH, it should be clear in the text that this is derived from sensitive sources.

3. Each country briefing should be basic in nature: What are the fundamental problems, stability, viability of the economy, what are the immediate current problems, etc. In most cases, two to three pages in NSC Briefing format will be sufficient, but obviously some will require longer presentations to cover the basics. (E.g., Malaysia has communal problems, remnants of Communist insurgent problems, problems with Singapore, Philippines, Indonesia, geographic problems, and just cataloging them is going to take a certain amount of space.

4. As an appendix the briefing book will contain the basic data sheets on each country. Accordingly, along with the briefing, please submit any changes needed to bring the pertinent pages in the OBGI Basic Data Handbook up to date.

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